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Israelis provided good tip
on threat to Sadat in '81

Former Austrian Chancellor Bruno Kreisky said yesterday that intelligence information from Israel led to the cancellation of a visit by Egyptian President Anwar el Sadat in 1981.

On the basis of information received from the Israelis, Austrian police intercepted a weapons shipment at Vienna's airport August 1, 1981, 10 days before Mr. Sadat was to have arrived for a private visit in Salzburg, Mr. Kreisky said.

"I was forced to ask Egyptian President Sadat at the time to postpone his trip to Salzburg, because I could not guarantee his security. . . . A few weeks later Sadat was in fact assassinated," Mr. Kreisky said.